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Democratic Ticket, 1852.

FOR PRESIDENT,
STEPHEN A. DOUGLASS, of Illinois.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
R. M. T. HUNTER, of Virginia.

THURSDAY, : DECEMBER 25, 1851.

The editor of the Journal persists in saying that the Democrat is the only paper that advocates Douglas and Hunter. We hope our neighbor will not show his ignorance that way; we don't wish to be made ashamed of him; for instance, when you say thanks for that speech, I do it first, then thank you for that speech. My enemies have always charged me with violating the constitution of my country by declaring martial law at New Orleans, and my friends have always admitted the violation, but have contended that circumstances justified me in that violation. I never could understand how it was that the performance of a solemn duty to my country—duty if I had neglected would have made me a traitor in the sight of God and man—could properly be pronounced a violation of the constitution. I am convinced in my own mind that I was not guilty of a legal violation, but I could never make out a legal justification of my course, nor has it ever been done, sir, until you, on the floor of Congress, established it beyond the possibility of cavil or doubt. I thank you, sir, for that speech. It has relieved my mind from any circumstance that rested painfully upon it.

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It is but justice to say, that the Post is conducted with marked ability, and wields a great influence with a large class of readers. It is one of the few permanent journals of the country, and has a prospect of a long life. It has already been read by a second or third generation, and has a fair prospect of being read by many to come.

HURRAH FOR DOUGLASS!—The Carroll County Democrat, published at Westminster, Md., in the conclusion of an able article on the prospects of the democratic party, says:

Therefore, it behoves the democratic party to look well to the claims of every candidate, and to select such a leader as will inspire confidence in the minds of the people throughout the length and breadth of our country. Such a man, as he observes, our author of "last week," must be found in Stephen A. Douglas, of course. He, we think, will and can unite the Union loving people of every State. Sound to the core on all great and prominent democratic national questions, and cherishing a deep and abiding love for the Union, he will bring into the contest a strong and nervous mind and an honest upright heart. With him, as our standard-bearer the cause of "Truth, Union, and Democracy" shall succeed, and our country, strong in domestic harmony, still triumphantly maintain her position at the head of the nations of the earth.

(From the Philadelphia Argus.)

Judge Douglass and General Jackson.

To those who enjoyed the confidence of Gen. Jackson, it is known that no event of his whole life gave him more concern than the change, so often mad against him, that in proclaiming martial law at New Orleans, he had violated the constitution of his country. This change gave him increased pain, from the fact that all his friends and staunchest supporters admitted the violation of the constitution, but justified it on the plea of necessity.

Livingston, Grundy, and Ingersoll—names of note—had all written and published able defences of the conduct of Gen. Jackson; still they had given no quiet to his mind.

The question of the remission of the fine imposed by Judge Hall before Congress had elicited all the violence of his opponents, all the acumen of his friends; still the defense was not satisfactory to the General, who said, "he didn't know how it was that a man in saving his country could violate the constitution by doing so."

The following anecdote in connection with this subject was related by an eye-witness, an

published in the Richmond (Va.) Inquirer, from which we take it:

"At the Nashville convention he visited the Hermitage, which was twelve miles distant, and company with Judge Douglas of Illinois, and some other of our fellow citizens. The Hermitage was crowded with people from almost every other State, who had been invited thither by the venerable patriot on the day succeeding the convention. Gov. Clay, of Alabama, was near Gen. Jackson, who was himself seated on the sofa in the hall of his residence; and as each person entered, the Governor introduced him to the hero, and he passed along. When Judge Douglass was thus introduced, Gen. Jackson, with brilliant eyes, and gazed for a moment on the countenance of the Judge, still retaining his hand.

"Are you the Mr. Douglass, of Illinois, who delivered a speech last session on the subject of the fine imposed upon me for declaring martial law at New Orleans?" asked Gen. Jackson.

"I have delivered a speech in the House of Representatives upon that subject," was the modest reply of our friend. "Then stop," said General Jackson, so down here beside me. I desire to thank you for that speech.

"You are the first man that has rested upon my mind in an exhaust which has rested upon it for thirty years. My enemies have always charged me with violating the constitution of my country by declaring martial law at New Orleans, and my friends have always admitted the violation, but have contended that circumstances justified me in that violation. I never could understand how it was that the performance of a solemn duty to my country—duty if I had neglected would have made me a traitor in the sight of God and man—could properly be pronounced a violation of the constitution. I am myself convinced in my own mind that I was not guilty of a legal violation, but I could never make out a legal justification of my course, nor has it ever been done, sir, until you, on the floor of Congress, established it beyond the possibility of cavil or doubt. I thank you, sir, for that speech. It has relieved my mind from any circumstance that rested painfully upon it.

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RALLY! RALLY!

There will be a Democratic Meeting at the Court House on SATURDAY NIGHT, for the purpose of ascertaining who will be able to attend, as delegates, to the Convention at Frankfort, on the Eighth of January, and such other business as may be brought before it. Let there be a full attendance from all parts of the city.

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We received another eastern mail by the ears last evening.

The Prussian exiles are giving concerts in Frankfort.

Some very fine bear meat was exhibited in the St. Charles market last night.

The stock of coal at Nashville, on Monday last, was almost exhausted.

Hilarion & L'Espinosa's ballet troupe are performing at Nashville.

M'Kaskill, the huge Nova Scotia "baby," is still to be seen at the Odd Fellows' Hall.

The Fakir of Siva has been engaged in Cincinnati where he appears next week.

The proceedings of three democratic meetings will be found in our columns to-day.

The hog slaughtering season is almost over at Madison.

The river, for some distance below the mouth of Salt river, is gorged with ice.

The thermometer at noon yesterday stood at 41 degrees above zero.

The city of Madison was lighted with gas on Friday night last.

Wagons were crossing the Ohio on the ice at Madison, on Friday.

Numbers of flat boats have doubtless been sunk by the ice in the last ten days.

M'le Parodi and troupe will start on their southern tour as soon as navigation is opened.

A car for smokers is the last addition to our railroads.

Hayna and Rodetzky are both reported, by late foreign journals, to be dangerously ill.

A splendid bill is offered at Chapman's varietys to-night. If you wish to enjoy real good fun do not fail to be there.

A man was very severely injured yesterday falling into an ice house on Preston street. He was taken to the Hospital.

McLaughlin, next door to Walker's, is daily in receipt of fresh oysters, direct from Baltimore. Give him a call.

Mons. Lassere's Christmas Eve Ball was largely attended last night, and everything went off smoothly.

The extravaganza of "Ye Children in ye Woods," "Ye Fairies and ye Crows," written by Mr. G. C. Brydon, will be produced at the Variety theatre to-night.

CORRECTION.—We stated in a paragraph in yesterday's Democrat, that about 25,000 head of hogs had been received this season at Madison by the Indianapolis rail road. It should have been 50,000. The reader would have readily detected the error, however, by referring to the statement we published the same day the error occurred, from the Madison Banner.

A negro was caught yesterday morning attempting to steal a piece of meat from a butcher in the lower Middle Market. After receiving a "sound thrashing," he made "tracks."

It will be seen from a card in another column, that Mr. G. C. Brydon, of Chapman's Varietys, takes his Farewell Benefit on Saturday evening next.

There will be no paper issued from this office to-morrow. Should any telegraphic news of importance reach us, it will be promptly issued in an extra.

The best route from Cincinnati to New York, at present, is by railroad to Cleveland and Painesville, taking the coach to Erie, and railroad to Dunkirk and New York.

A responsible democrat, in Mississippi, offers to bet ten thousand dollars that the nominee of the Baltimore convention will carry that State. Who's in?

The steamers Fanny Smith, Clara, Duchess, Buckeye, and Gen. Lafayette were all ice bound at the Iron Banks, on the Mississippi, on the 19th inst.

A citizen of Corpus Christi, Texas, offers to roll a game of ten-pins for one thousand dollars a side, with any citizen of Texas or Louisiana, the game to be played during the progress of the great fair in that city, in May next.

Harry Chapman has engaged the Indians who have been in town for several days past. They appeared last night in a variety of war dances, songs, &c., and created considerable amusement.

Let nobody forget that the young Irish comedian, Ned Chapman, takes a benefit to-morrow evening, at Chapman's Varietys. We hope to see a crowded house to greet Ned on this occasion.

PRINTERS CELEBRATION.—The anniversary of the birth of Franklin is to be celebrated, by the printers of the Northwest, by a grand jubilee at Detroit. Hon. John N. Ingersoll has been chosen orator.

The butchers were all striving to out-do each other, yesterday, in the display of show meats. Some of the finest beef ever raised in Kentucky was exhibited in the St. Charles market last night.

Two horses attached to a carriage took flight at the corner of Third and Market streets yesterday about noon, and ran at a very rapid rate out Third. At the Post Office corner the driver was thrown out and severely injured. The carriage was considerably damaged.

BEAUTIFUL FURNITURE.—We took occasion a few days since to look through the furniture ware rooms and manufacturing departments of Mr. John M. Stokes' extensive establishment on Main street, opposite the State bank of Louisville. We have never seen a better arranged house from one end to the other. The finest descriptions of furniture are manufactured under the immediate supervision of Mr. S., and in point of neatness, beauty and surpassing finish, cannot be excelled East or West. The sale room in the second story presents a diversified stock of the most magnificently finished furniture we have ever seen. Splendid wardrobes, bedsteads, sofas, sofas, divans and chairs—all of the finest quality. To attempt a description of the various kinds of furniture would be a considerable task, and we shall beg our readers to go and examine for themselves. The stock is so complete that we are sure everybody can find a Christmas present just to suit their friends.

THE COMING EUROPEAN REVOLUTION.—*Kosuth's next Movements.*—A London editor states that England is dull indeed, and all Europe appears perfectly quiet. But trouble is daily anticipated in France, and revolutionary movements are threatened in other countries. The crowned heads of Europe appear to be making active preparations for a long and severe political storm. Austria and Prussia are endeavoring to negotiate large loans, whilst the Czar of Russia is urging the completion of railways, and thousands of carriages for the conveyance of his troops. Every movement looks ominous. The black clouds of '48, it is believed, are about to be re-enacted. The London letter thus proceeds:

France, as before, will commence the tragedy, Italy will follow, and the people of the different States comprising the Germanic confederation are expected to watch their opportunity. It is known that a conspiracy exists in Russia, and the volcano lies once more in France, who can predict where it will erupt. The two grand sachems of the party, Messrs. Dixon and Crittenden, had been laid quietly away upon the shelf—to witness the general scramble which ensued between all the leading whigs of the Commonwealth—for each one, believing the present to be the only chance, pitched helter skelter, pell mell into the general melee. But your regular correspondent has doubtless kept you well informed upon all these points.

Yesterday an interesting debate sprang up in the House, upon a resolution procrastinating the session beyond the constitutional limit of sixty days. After most of those having gas to expend, had relieved themselves, the resolution passed by a vote of 67 to 25—and was immediately reported to the Senate. Col. Preston spoke at length in his favor that body, and was being replied to by Col. R. D. Gholson, when an adjournment was moved and carried. The resolution will be finally acted upon this evening in the Senate. I deem it exceedingly impolitic and regret very much that it received the support of any part of the democrats in the House. It is, however, a two-sided question, and I cheerfully award the most honest intentions to all democrats who gave it their support. I fear it will carry in the Senate this evening. The Senate this morning occupied most of its time in passing upon the Revised Statutes presented by the Commissioners appointed for that purpose. In the House, by far the most interesting topic of debate was the conventional interest bill, which allows, I understand, a charge of ten per centum interest upon monies loaned in this Common wealth. It was opposed with considerable energy by Messrs. Bates and John Williams. Major Helm, of Campbell, supported it in a speech of nearly an hour's length, with his usual eloquence and ability. I should be pleased to give you a sketch of his speech had I time and the room here. Suffice it to say, however, that he was listened to from its beginning to its close with the most marked attention. During its delivery I was reminded of the days when such men as Tibbatts and Southgate, were in the Legislature from old Campbell.

What the final disposition of the bill will be I cannot pretend to say. I think however, it is right in principle, and I should be pleased to see it enacted into law.

The following resolutions were then read and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the true interests of the country demand that the Executive, as well as the Legislative department of the General Government, should be placed in the hands of the Democratic party; the policy of which secured the acquisition of Texas, Oregon, California, New Mexico and Utah; and under whose domination more than one necessary war was prosecuted with vigor and terminated with honor to the American arms.

Resolved, That the prosperity of the country has already shown the prosperity she has already enjoyed under the rule and counsel of Democracy gives a guarantee that the same principles, if carried out in future, will lead to results equally glorious and auspicious.

Resolved, That we have full confidence that the nominee for President, of the Baltimore Convention, will take national, and not sectional, grounds upon this question; and we have no hesitation in pledging him our support in advance.

Resolved, That the following gentlemen be appointed delegates to the Convention to be held at Frankfort on the 8th of January, and that every other good democrat who will attend from this county, be requested to act as such: Henry Spink, C. M. Patton, John S. Cully, David Cully, Jessie S. Young, Albert Tarrence, John Dillard, Solomon Irwin, Cyrus Scott, George Smith, Cleburne Brown, Thomas Johnson, D. B. English, Wm. Tappley, Martin Hardin, Dr. R. Martin Hardin, Jr., George Stephenson, Josiah Vager, Hiram English, James Stuart, A. J. Mariott, Reuben Peyton, James Dewitt, Ephraim Marriott, J. Combs, John C. Williams, John Buckles, Daniel Brackett, John A. Raine, Henry Morrison, Earhardt Winders, Ezra Morris, Col. Thomas Patterson, Maj. Isaiah Miller, Wm. Hodges, Pleasant Cundiff, Alexander Funk, James Castlemore, George W. Stuckler, sen., George Gardiner, John Morgan, B. F. Smith, E. H. Smith, James Stuckler, John Park, C. H. Howard, Christian Wiseman, Rodman Stark, John B. Thompson, John Johnson, sen., Tracy Helm, and Col. I. B. Hayden.

Resolved, That we leave our delegates untrammelled with instructions, and that the Secretary furnish the Register and Democrat with copies of the proceedings of this meeting for publication.

J. W. SMITH, President.
D. H. GARDNER, Secretary.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING.

WASHINGTON CONVENT.—At a meeting of the democracy of Washington county, held in Springfield on Monday, the 15th of December, 1851, Daniel McIlroy was called to the chair, and Charles Wright appointed secretary. The chairman explained the object of the meeting to be the appointment of Delegates to attend the State convention to be held at Frankfort, on the 8th of January next.

If you will excuse this short and hastily-written letter, I will promise much improvement hereafter. Very truly yours,

LETTER FROM FRANKFORT.

[Correspondence of the Louisville Democrat.]

FRANKFORT, Dec. 23, 1851.

Messrs. Editors:—It has been some week or ten days since I last wrote you. Inability to attend the sessions of the Legislature, and consequently a want of sufficient *posting up*, with the proceedings of that very grave and dignified body, must be my excuse.

Since I wrote you, the whigs have elected a Senator; and oh! that I had language to portray the proceedings of the party during the whole of that contest. It was interesting indeed—after the two grand sachems of the party, Messrs. Dixon and Crittenden, had been laid quietly away upon the shelf—to witness the general scramble which ensued between all the leading whigs of the Commonwealth—for each one, believing the present to be the only chance, pitched helter skelter, pell mell into the general melee.

The object of the meeting being explained, the two now resolved to adopt the following:

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Springfield Mercury, Louisville Democrat, Kentucky Yeoman and Ploughboy.

DANIEL MCILROY, President.

CHARLES WRIGHT, Secretary.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING.

PULASKI COUNTY.—At a meeting of the Democrats of Pulaski county, held at the courthouse, in the town of Somersett, on Monday the 15th day of December, 1851, Micajah Sutten was called to the chair, and John Crawford appointed secretary.

The object of the meeting being explained, the two now resolved to adopt the following:

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Springfield Mercury, Louisville Democrat, Kentucky Yeoman and Ploughboy.

DANIEL MCILROY, President.

CHARLES WRIGHT, Secretary.

COMMERCIAL.

OFFICE OF THE LOUISVILLE DEMOCRAT, Tuesday Evening, Dec. 21, 1851.

The market remains dull.

Flour is more firm, and we hear of sales at \$3 50s & 60s for barrels and extra brands.

Corn is holding a tight business doing. Sale of 10 bushel fair sugar at \$5 00c, and another sale at 6c. Rio Coffee we quote at 9c.

The provision market is unchanged. We hear of light sales of Shoulders at 64c.

Meat is selling at 40c, from stores. Oats, 30c. Hay we quote at \$1 50. Hemp, \$85-\$90.

Rectified Whisky, 17s 7d; no raw in market.

No shipments to any point.

O. S. BARBER & CO., dec20
Maison des Modes, 615 Main street.

SALE FOR CASH AT COST.

MUFFS, VICTORINES, CUFFS, SWAN'S-DOWN, And, in short,

ALL OUR FINE GOODS:

We lately admonished our customers that there were indications of a severe winter ahead. Have we stated the truth? We again warn them that the severe winter will not soon be over. At the price at which we sell articles, we can afford to make protection; gentlemen have no excuse if they fail to make handsome *Christmas Presents*.

O. S. BARBER & CO., dec20
Maison des Modes, 615 Main street.

OWENS & WOOD.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN BOOTS, SHOES AND BRIGGANS, No. 495 Market street, one door east of Lillard.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

AND those who intend to make presents in the way of BOOTS & SHOES can be supplied by calling on [dec20] OWENS & WOOD.

GUM OVERSHOES.—A large assortment at [dec20] OWENS & WOOD'S.

MEN'S fine French Calf, Kip, and Thick Boots, at [dec20] OWENS & WOOD'S.

LADIES' Shoes and Booties, of all styles and qualities at [dec20] OWENS & WOOD'S.

Louisville Tobacco Market.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 24.

TODD'S WAREHOUSE.—The sales at this warehouse today embraced 6 hds, at the following prices: \$2 95, 3 10, 3 20, 3 25, 3 50, 3 60.

PICKETT WAREHOUSE.—Four hds were sold to day, as follows: \$1 00, 3 10, 2 25, 3 25.

LADIES' Boots and Shoes.—J. C. PETRY would respectfully inform the ladies that he will make to order all kinds of Ladies' Shoes at the shortest notice, and on the shortest terms as any manufacturer in the country. Ladies are respectfully invited to call and examine, before leaving their orders elsewhere, at No. 88 Fourth street, between Main and Market.

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AMUSEMENTS.

LOUISVILLE THEATRE.

JAMES W. BATES, Proprietor.

THREE NIGHTS LONGER!

MONDAY, Tuesday, and Wednesday, Dec. 22, 23, and 24.

GENTLEMEN'S Boots and Shoes.—An extensive assortment of water proof Boots and Shoes always on hand and made to order at the shortest notice of the finest material, and low or cash.

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COAR'S BOOS & BREAGAN.—The subscriber has a large stock of the above description, which he will sell *cash on cost* for cash.

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STATIONERS' WAREHOUSE.

THIRD STREET, NEXT DOOR TO THE POST-OFFICE.

FRESH and varied stock of the very best Stationery.—Very well received at this establishment. The plan of business is to supply all kinds of Stationery, and to satisfy the wants of all classes of persons. The prices are moderate, and the quality of the goods is good.

THE FAKIR OF SIVA.—For three nights the Manager respectively informs us that he has received the *FAKIR OF SIVA* for THOUSANDS.

The Capitol building caught fire this morning about 8 o'clock in the Congressional library. The library is entirely destroyed, and from the scarcity of water the destruction of the whole edifice is great. The flames are still raging. The water is all frozen.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.

